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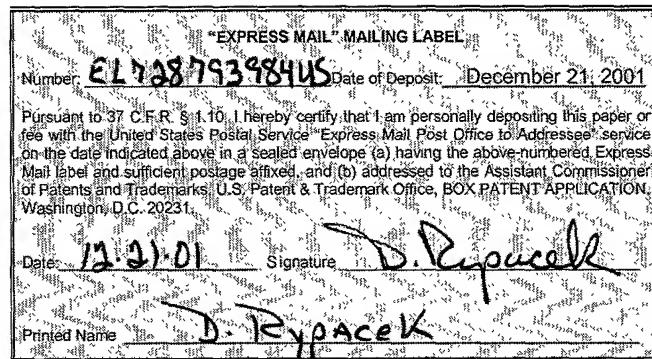
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RE: *U.S. Patent Application Entitled: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR FUEL AND FUEL ADDITIVE DISPENSING*

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is a 46-page patent specification including 13 claims and an Abstract. Also included are Figures 1-14 on 14 sheets. The specification and drawings constitute the application of the above-named inventors for the captioned invention.

Also enclosed is an Application Data Sheet.

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